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In the winter of 1987, following a series of puzzling events, seventeen members of the U.S. intelligence community were summoned to the Pentagon. Their Top-Secret mission: to determine if there was life...

# OUTTHERE



## HOWARD BLUM

Author of Wanted! and I Pledge Allegiance

A SPECIAL ARTICLE ON INVESTIGATIVE REPORTER, DAVID BLUM'S
NEW BOOK ON THE GOVERNMENT'S SECRET U.F.O. RESEARCH PROGRAM.
AT LAST, EVIDENCE THAT IT REALLY DOES EXIST IN OUR GOVERNMENT.

### L.I.U.F.O.N. NEWS.

The month of September has been a busy one here at the office of the Long Island U.F.O. Network. Here is just a sample of the activities that have been going on. Pirst the investigative case load has reached well over one hundred cases reported to the Network since the first of the year. Second, the month has seen the Smithtown News interview Chairman Mr. John Ford in preparation for a major story on the Network and its investigative findings. Third, Barry and Debbie Gellis of Brooklyn Queens Cable have made arrangements to do a series of shows on the Network. The first one will feature Dick Ruhl and John Ford together talking about the recent talk at the Vanderbilt Planetarium. There will also be another show on the Moriches Bay U.F.O. Crash Retrieval Case which will feature some of the pictures taken of that event. Fourth, Joel Martin has moved his scheduled taping with us back to October or early November. This was due to production schedule changes on his end. Fifth, Chairman John Ford after a previous date change was able to deliver a talk to the Amityville Kivanis Club's September Meeting at which he received a standing ovation for L.I.U.F.O.N.'s investigative findings as presented in its slide show. Sixth, on September 19th at the Retired Telephone Worker's Association Meeting at the Riverhead Moose Ledge where the L.I.U.F.O.N. Slide Presentation was presented with an enthusiastic response from the assemblied members, Mr. Ford again gave a splendid rendition of our continuing investigative efforts. Seventh, Richard Stout has been running Operation Skywatch for L.I.U.F.O.N. at Moriches Bay where several strange observations of nocturnal lights have been reported, ( see the Island Scene). Eighth, the most important event of all, Mr. Bud Hopkins has agreed to talk at the L.I.U.F.O.N. Conference III in October. Ninth, on September 8th L.I.U.F.O.N. again gave a talk at the Pyschic Fair in the South Hampton Inn which was sponsored by Lee Morehead, a well respected pyschic, and which was well received by a audience of some forty people. Tenth, L.I.U.F.O.N. has been deluged with new members and requests for interviews by prospective new investigators. In all it has been a busy month. Hope to see you all in October at the Conference. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

### THE ISLAND SCENE.

The month of September has been a busy one for continuing U.F.O. activity. There have been continuing strange happenings over at the home of the West Islip family which reported an abduction to L.I.U.F.O.N. back  $\,$  in June. Some of these center on "Balls of Light" incidents and strange phenomenon. The family also reports other close family members complaining of similar experiences. It seem not to be limited to their immediate household but also includes aunts and cousins. ----L.I.U.F.O.N. has been in touch with a former military officer who has given us some information on a test flight .... of a captured U.F.O. in 1955. The case is still under investigation and will be delved into at a later time. Public comment on this case is being limited. ---- There was a recent report given to us by a woman in Ridge who almost ran into a hovering U.F.O. in the spring or summer of 1986 on Rte.25 in Ridge. She was returning home from her waitress job when she encountered the object on the road.-----We have reason to believe there is on going Government intimidation of U.F.O. witnesses on the Island. We urge you to see the special report on the Hunter Ave. Case in this report.---- Also pay attention to the special report on the 1984 Crash Retrieval Case information in this issue. ---- There are reports of strange pulsating lights seen behind cloud formations over Moriches Bay by Skywatch Coordinator Richard Stout See his special report in this issue. 30 are

### MEMBERSHIP CORNER.

### MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

The next membership meeting of the Long Island U.F.O. Network will be held on September 28th at the South Country Library in Bellport Village. On this Friday night, the meeting will feature a guest lecturer and slide program. The featured speaker will be Howard Metz, who will give a talk on the Mystery of the Pyramids and the U.F.O. Phenomenon. Mr. Metz is a noted expert on the Topic of Pyramidology and is also a officer with the local chapter of Pyschictronics. The meeting will start at 6:30 P.M. and will last until 8:30 P.M.. The meeting is open to members, their guests and the general public. Please be prompt since the program will more than likely take up the entire meeting and will begin within a few minutes of convening. This should be a very interesting meeting, so don't miss it.

### NEWSLETTER COSTS:

As it has been the practice at our membership meetings in the past to give out on request free copies of our newsletter to members and interested parties, it has led to two points of criticism within the organization. One, our memebrship has paid dues to help support the organization and are entitled to the newsletter. Two, the general public who attend our membership meetings have not paid dues and should not be entitled to free copies of the newsletter. The newsletter carries a price of one dollar to outside persons and due to rising costs and consideration to our membership, the newsletter will not be given out free to non members at our meetings. Those persons requesting a copy will be asked to pay for it. In addition, the costs of printing the newsletter per month have risen dramatically. In view of this, the Board of Directors has raised the price as of this printing to two dollars. The practice of mailing past issues to prospective members will continue as a inducement for membership recruitment. Also past issues will be continued to be distributed at guest lectures and library talks.

### MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASE:

At the recent Board of Directors meeting, it has been decided to raise the cost of membership dues to twenty five dollars a year as of January 1st, 1991. This has been done due to ,,. increasing costs associated with running the organization.

### OPERATION LONG ISLAND SKYWATCH:

Operation Skywatch still contines each Saturday evening.

Those interested in helping to observe the coming and goings of nocturnal visitors should call the Hotline for the time and location of operations for the Saturday night vigil.

### MEMBERSHIP MEETING DATES:

The future dates for the monthly membership meeting are listed as follows: September 28th, October 26th, November 30th and December 21st. All the meetings will be held in the South Country Library in Bellport Village.

### PINE BUSH TRIP:

The planned trip to Pine Bush has been canceled due to lack of interest by the members. It is being contemplated that another trip might be planned for later in the fall.

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### A SPECIAL REPORT TO THE MEMBERSHIP:

### WAS THERE A U.F.O. CRASH RETRIEVALIN 1984 ON LONG ISLAND ?

The phone rang for the U.F.O. Hotline in late April of this year. The answering machine, which is kept on 24 hours a day, recorded a brief message left by a anonymous voice. The information was left on the audio recording of the answering machine.

The message ran something like this, "I was stationed at the West Hampton Air Force Base in 1984 while attached to the New York State Air National Guard. I was regular Air Force and lived close by the Base. Just before I retired from the Air Force in that year, they had some helicopters bring in some strange object which had landed out East. I've read the newspaper articles on the Moriches Bay Crash this month. I think you're onto something, but they also got spmething in early '84. There's a lot of strange things going on. I'll call you back and talk to you sometime soon."

The message left us all at L.I.U.F.O.N. rather perplexed. What was this gentleman refering to? What was the object? Who was this stranger and what did he know? Would he call us back and would he identify himself? Would he explain what he meant by the brief story that he gave us? The most important question of all, did the Government recover another U.F.O. in 1984 on Long Island?

The Board of Directors for the Long Island U.F.O. Network held a very brief consultation amongst themselves over this case. The question was asked concerning what policy should be adopted regarding this case. Should it be dismissed as a crank call ? Should it be treated as a serious source from a ex-service man who had something to tell us of great importance? The decision was made to wait and see if the anonymous individual contacted us again. Maybe he would identify himself and provide more informat on this interesting tale.

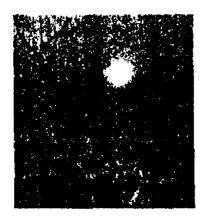
On May 2,1990 the gentlman called the Hotline again. This time instead of receiving our recorded announcement he spoke to Kay Ford, L.I.U.F.O.N.'s Secretary-Treasurer who was manning the Hotline that afternoon. After pleasantries were exchanged the conversation got down to business. It seems that he is a retired Aif Force Officer who had knowledge of the recovery of a strange object at the West Hampton Air. Base, He refused to divulge his identity or provide us with a address or phone number. He told Kay that if the Government knew he was talking, that he would lose his pension. He did state that at a later date he would decide to talk to us in person. He remains annonymous to this organization.

He stated a white colored, boomerang shaped object was brought in by Air Force Helicopters to the Base in late 1983 or early 1984. He doesn't remember the exact date. The object when exposed to light exhibited a faint orange color. It was housed in one of the jet fighter scramble pods on the Base. It was placed under heavy, armed security and all Air Force and Air National Guard personnel were told to keep away from it. The object was 20 feet long by 20 feet wide and weighed 10,000 lbs. The next day a Air Force C-141 jet transport arrived and flew it to an unknown destination. All personnel were told it was Top Secret and not to talk about it publicly.

Kay Ford said goodbye to him and filed this report with us. He has not called be us back yet. You judge the story.

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### BOOK REVIEW:

### "OUT THERE" BY HOWARD BLUM.

The major breakthrough has happened. A reputable, investigative reporter with authoritative credentials has taken the subject of U.F.O.'s seriously and written a major new book exposing the Government U.F.O. Coverup. This is the scenario most U.F.O. researchers have hoped for to happen. At last someone in the news media has taken the subject seriously.

The reporter is Howard Blum, former investigative reporter for the New York Times, author of two previously published books which were very well received. Mr. Blum, who by the way is a skeptic on the subject of extra-terrestial visitations by U.F.O.'s has written a book which is sure to awaken a lot of people, both in government and in civilian circles, to the reality of the phenomenon. In "Out There", Mr. Blum documents the existence of a secret government intelligence group operating under the direction of the super-secret Defense Intelligence Agency which has been authorized to conduct secret-covert research into the U.F.O. phenomenon.

Howard Blum. Pulitzer Prize winning author and reporter uncovered the existence of the secret U.F.O. Intelligence Operation Group when he was researching his book, "I Pledge Allegiance which dealt with the famous Walker family Spy Case of the nineteen eighties. During this period in 1987, he made contact with a National Security Agency official who gave him an interview concerning the Walker Case. In the course of the interview, he mentioned that he should look into this U.F.O. Working Group. He stated that they were seriously looking into this U.F.O. business and were uncovering a lot of strange things.

Proceeding with inside contacts, Mr. Blum began to unearth the web of military intelligence involvement in the covert operation. Eventually over a two year period he managed to talk to some two hundred members of this secret group. Without revealing their true identities, he was allowed access to these individuals after making contact with a "Colonel Howard Philips", in the Pentagon. Colonel Philips allowed him to talk to the members of the group who related their individual stories to him.

What emerged was a classified covert operation involving the Defense Intelligence community. The Working Group, which was military top heavy, was formed at the behest of the Pentagon after several puzzling events in 1987. Some of those events Mr. Blum was able to list:

- 1) The nation's radar fence which surrounds the country was frequently being tripped by objects that could not be identified.
- 2) One of these unidentified objects in 1986 was tracked by the U.S. Air Force's Space Command while it played above the Earth's atmosphere over the Western part of the United States for two days.
- 3) Pyschics were called in to scan the heavens to report what was there. Their report which was based on the simultaneous use of three certified "seers" was that it was a circular wingless aircraft. A classic flying saucer.

It was this episode that caused the Pentagon to summon during the winter of 1987 seventeen top military intelligence experts to Washington. The Washington meeting led to the formation of the Working Group. Its purpose was simple, It was charged with finding out if there was life out there.

The Working Group is funded by covert funds solicited from other participating agencies' budgets for covert operations. This operational proceedure was adopted to avoid reporting the expenditures to Congressional Committees. Last year alone, the Group spent \$50 million dollars in its continuing probe. Because of this,Mr. Blum's revelations have raised eyes on Congressional Committees who are responsible for overseeing intelligence activities as to why they were never told about the existence of this secret group.

Mr. Blum claims he was not informed of all the Group's secret doings. By talking to various members he was given individual incidents that they were involved in. Some of the things he uncovered were:

- 1) The existence of a Secret intelligence operation in 1983-1984 by the Army, Air Force and the D.I.A. to investigate U.F.O. incidents.
- 2) Air Force Intelligence keeps routine tabs on U.F.O. researchers and groups while disseminating disinformation on U.F.O.'s to keep researchers confused.
- 3) A serious F.B.I. investigation into the authenticity of the MJ 12 documents which purport the existence of a secret U.F.O. Intelligence organization established by Truman in 1947.
- 4) The dispatching of a C.I.A. team of investigators to Elmsford Wisconsin to check into a 1976 incident in which a Elmsford Police Officer was killed by a "Blue Beam" from a U.F.O. Extensive research into the incident proved to be inconclusive.
- that they were picking up crazy signals from outside the Earth's atmosphere while conducting electronic intelligence gathering.
  - 6) The Working Group's interest in the continuing efforts of Project S.E.T.I. (Search for Extra-terrestial Intelligence) in locating communications from extra-terrestial civilizations.
  - 7) The existence of classified military intelligence documents that reveal that the Air Force has considered the possibility that alien aircraft have penetrated the airspace surrounding nuclear installations.

Mr. Blum admitts that the group may be a cover for even a more secret group like MJ-12, for some of the members of the Group admitted that they did not know themselves. He feels certain that some of the information he was given is genuine, but admitts the possibility some of it could be disinformation.

The possibility exists that it could also be the tip of vast iceberg with the terrible truth buried beneath the waters of a murky deception. Whatever the case, Mr. Blum's book is n excellent piece of investigative journalism.

It could be the start of the unraveling of the Big Secret, with the Government slowly preparing us for the final truth,

that we are not alone. L.I.U.F.O.N. recommends that you get this book. It's a book that you can't ignore.

### THE HUNTER AVENUE CASE.

### SPECIAL REPORT TO THE MEMBERSHIP.

CASE NUMBER: 0103-90

TYPE: CASE OF GOVERNMENT COVERUP AND INTIMIDATION OF WITNESSES.

The Long Island U.F.O. Network has taken sworn legal affidavits from two residents in West Islip that claim to know through friends who are associated with witnesses to a U.F.O. sighting on June 21st 1990 in the Hunter Ave area of West Islip.

The story that has been given to us second hand is that a family living in that section had a very large triangular shaped object hover above their house on that partcular evening. The object had three very bright lights in each corner of the triangular craft. The family observed this craft for about ten minutes while it hovered above their backyard. The husband and wife called the Suffolk County Police to report the sighting to the authorities. The Police arrived and a report was taken concerning the event.

The next day, the family was beset by agents of either the C.I.A or the National Security Agency ( L.I.U.F.O.N. has not been able to confirm which one) who immediately began to debrief the family on the sighting and to bring in technicians to conduct

scientific tests on the house and property.

The story that has been relayed to us indicates that there is on going Government debriefing of the family and it is almost on a weekly basis. The family is sometimes taken from their house at all hours to be debriefed by Government agents once again. The husband or the wife are usually taken sometimes from their places of employment and only to be debriefed all over again.

The family has had a tough time of it and they have had the usual admonitions not to publicly talk about the whole affair. They have also been told that if they did they would be in trouble with the Government.

As of this writing L.I.U.F.O.N. has passed word to the family through their friends that we would like to help them. Their reply has been that they wish the whole thing would go away, but it won't. They still complain of government harassment. We have talked now to several people who know of this situation and has obtained legal statements from them. L.I.U.F.O.N. has not been able to obtain their identities from their friends or their exact address, since they fear for retaliation from the Government.

Two years ago, L.I.U.F.O.N. investigated the Columbia Street Case where it learned that the Suffolk County Police was cooperating with Federal Intelligence Agencies in covering up U.F.O. incidents on the Island. It was also learned that the Police have a secret briefing manual which they use to guide their operation in this project.

It appears that this is another example of the on going endeavor to Cover-up the U.F.O. Phenomenon on the Island. L.I.U.F.O.N. is planning to conduct a thorough investigation into this case. As more develops, L.I.U.F.O.N. will keep you informed.

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FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE LONG ISLAND U.F.O. NEWTWORK

FULL REPORT ON THE PINE BUSH FIELD INVESTIGATION, JULY 21 AND 22, 1990.

CASE NUMBER: 0100-90

LOCATION: WALDEN COMMUNITY CEMETARY
PREPARED BY MARK LANDERS, KINGS COUNTY CHAIRMAN L.I.U.F.O.N.

TECHNICAL MEASUREMENTS TAKEN BY: MARK LANDERS.
INVESTIGATORS PRESENT: MARK LANDERS AND JOHN FORD.

SYNOPSIS: Investigators arrived at Walden Jewish Cemetary in Pinebush, N.Y. at 10:10 P.M. July 21, 190. Mr. Landers set up detection instruments and started the tape recorder at 10:13. Mr. Ford and Mr. Landers took photos of the area; repeated triggering of the RF detector with no apparent cause was noted; both Ford and Landers experienced subjective phenomena. Investigators left the area at 11:10 P.M. but returned the next day at 11:52 A.M. for a photographic survey of the area; a final summation of the investigation was recorded at that time.

<u>EQUIPMENT USED:</u> (A complete listing of the equipment use is given for comparision with earlier reports and to enable future investigators to compare their results with ours).

- 1) Minolta Weathermatic Dual 35mm camera with 1600 ASA film.
- 2) Magnetic Field Detector; homemade device capable of detecting changes in the intensity or direction of the local magnetic field.
- 3) RF Energy Detector; homemade device capable of detecting radio frequency (RF)energy from about 20 MHz to at least 2450 MHz; exact upper limit not known.
- 4) Digital Compass manufactured by Autoheim of England; accurate to within plus or minus one degree.
- 5) Radiation Detector; homemade device using miniature Geiger-Mueller tube which will respond with a click to each impulse of ionizing radiation ( Alpha, Beta or Gamma).
- 6) Infra-Red Detector; homemade device which will respond to near infra-red ( wavelengths longer than heat but shorter than light).
- 7) Sferic Detector manufactured by Sferic Systems Inc.; designed to detect and count nearby lightning strikes, it will reliably react to any source of low frequency RF energy from 50 KHz to 400 KHz.
- 8) Frequency Counter; model 1300H by Opto-Electronics, it will reliably determine the exact frequency of a strong electromagnetic signal from 1 MHz to 1300 MHz.

A recording was made during the investigation using a Panasonic RN-105D micrcassette recorder.

### THE INVESTIGATION:

Soon after arrival, the RF Detector triggers 3 times at low intensity and then stops Mr. Ford takes 3 photos with his Minorta camera with flash attachment of the cemetary area, Landers takes 3 photos. About 15 minutes later the RF detector begins repeatedly triggering; at first seemingly when vehicles are passing from West to East on the nearby road a short distance away, then later without any apparent relationship to the passing vehicles. For a few minutes Landers experiences the same feeling(best descirbed as "pressure" or "hackles rising" on the back of the neck)as he had reported during the last investigation last year. Landers mentions on the tape recording, This place is definitely giving me the willies. He then measures the direction turning left from the entrance of the cemetary onto the road at 280 degree magnetic. At 10:48 the subjective sensation previously mentioned is gone. Mr. Ford mention feelings of, "extreme anxiety". At 10.55 P.M. Mr. Ford begins taking further photos of the area; he mentions that he saw a, "red haze at ground level" in the

cemetery. Mr. Landers takes an additional 3 photos. Mr. Ford mentions that the radiation detector did not click for about a minute before we left the area.

During the entire investigation only the RF detector gave any unusual readings though all of the equipment was tested when it was set up at the site. The weather was warm and humid with ground fog limiting horizontal visiblity though the stars could be seen overhead. Crickets and fireflies were active during the whole time we were at the site.

Additional photos showing the site in daylight and a summation on tape was done the next day.

### CONCLUSIONS AND SUMMATION:

No apparent source of RF energy near the site of the investigation was noted that night or the next day. The RF detector was tested before the investigation and responded with a characteristic "Buzz" near a flourescent light source and a "Beep" near a 440MHz transceiver. If continuously operated without an input signal and without manual adjustment of the controls, the RF detector will not trigger; the input is a passive diode detector and is not capable of oscillation (generating its own signals).

The extremely detailed and highly subjective description of this investigation is necessary because of one possible conclusion which can be drawn from the sequence of events. Note the following: the investigators arrive, the RF detector triggers, then stops. The investigators take flash pictures of the area and shine flashlights about, the RF detector repeatedly triggers. Mr. Ford shines a flashlight in the cemetery, Landers experiences subjective sensation similar to the previous investigation and the RF detector triggers. Landers mentions that the detector has only triggered when vehicles have passed from the West and the detector immediately and thereafter triggers without a vehicle being present. Ford takes flash pictures and then sees a "Red Haze" in the direction in which he took the pictures.

It is a basic rule of Science that synchrony does not prove causality (because things happen at the same time does not mean they're related). It is also possible that the actions of observers can affect the process that is being observed; that may be what has happened in this investigation.

Whatever interpretation is placed on the facts, there is no question that a recurring but not periodic RF energy field was discovered during this investigation to be at a location where previous studies by L.I.U.F.O.N. and others have found many remarkable effects and unusual observations.

EDITORS NOTE: The area of Pine Bush N.Y. has been under study by U.F.O. researcher, Ellen Crystal, for some ten years. Ellen has reported that the residents up there have reported strange craft landing in farm fields late at night. The residents have also reported underground drilling and mining operations in fields under the town. Ellen has taken some 1500 photos of strange energy fields in these areas and also of landed ships of huge size. The field behind the Cemetery has had six landings of large unidentified objects since January of 1989. Ellen believes that a entrance of some kind exists there to an alien underground base of some kind. Judge this report and make your own decision.

### SPECIAL REPORT !!!

OPERATION SKYWATCH REPORT, FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE LONG ISLAND U.F.O. NETWORK.

CASE NUMBER: 0109-90

TYPE OF OBJECT: NOCTURNAL LIGHTS

LOCATION: OCEAN AVE, NEAR MORICHES BAY IN CENTER MORICHES.

DATE OF OBSERVATION; 9/15/90

DURATION OF SIGHTING: 1 HOUR AND 24 MINUTES.

REPORTED BY RICHARD STOUT, CO FOUNDER OF L.I.U.F.O.N.,

During Skyvatch Operations on the night of September 15, 1990 at the location of Ocean Ave in Center Moriches, Mr. Richard Stout reported a strange observation which he has filed as a official report. Mr. Stout arrived at the location about 9:30 P.M. that night. He was joined by Mr. Ford, Chairman of L.I.U.F.O.N. around 10:00 P.M. at the location. Mr. Ford witnessed the strange lights also and has filed an additional report verifying Mr. Stout's report.

About 10:06 Mr.Stout reported that he had under observation strange flashing lights in a cloud towards the North West of the Bay. He could see no aircraft in the cloud or hear any sound of one. The light flashes were very powerful and filled the area of the night sky with abundant light.

After Mr. Ford arrived, Mr Stout brought the light flashes to the attention of Mr. Ford. As both were equiped with cameras and tripods, the equipment was soon deployed and pictures were taken of that section of the night sky. During the initial observation made by Mr. Stout, he reportedly observed three white lights drop down out of the sky and then return to the sanctuary of the cloud.

During the one hour and twenty-four minutes this went on, two aircraft were observed to enter the cloud and leave it. There were no other aircraft in that area, although the area around the Bay is a heavy air traffic corridor for the local a rports and MacArthur.

During the period that the flashes were observed, both Mr. Stout and Mr. Ford reported that they saw no aircraft in the cloud or any object that could be responsible for the activity.

Even after the cloud moved off and began to dissipate, the light flashes appeared in that section of the sky.

CONCLUSION: Since the witnesses reported no visible aircraft as a source for the light and no type of lightening storm that night, the source of the light flashes is unknown. It should be noted that Moriches Bay is a area of high U.F.O. activity. Strange light flashes are usually reported in such areas which is often suspected to be associated with the activity of U.F.O.'s.

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